

*Executive Proclamation*  
*State of South Dakota*  
*Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, The Parkston High School Band, under the direction of Mr. Jon Mattheis, has been selected to be a representative of South Dakota in the 2004 Independence Day Parade in Washington, D.C.; and,

*Whereas*, These South Dakota musicians will join students from each of the 50 states who will reflect and honor America's rich musical and cultural heritage in our nation's capital; and,

*Whereas*, The traditional parade will be a reflection of many American patriotic themes, historical and present, with the emphasis in 2004 being the "Salute to America's Greatest Generation"; and,

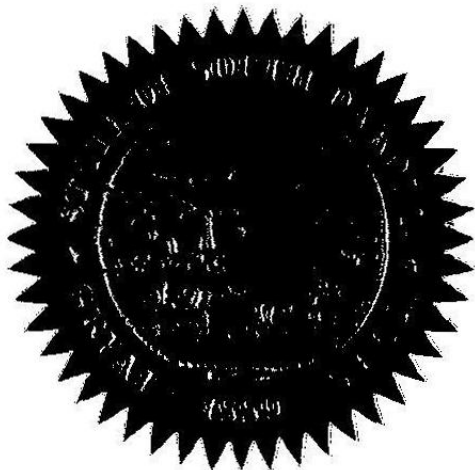
*Whereas*, All members of the Parkston High School Band can be proud of their musical excellence and record of high achievement which admitted them to membership in this musical group; and,

*Whereas*, It is fitting and appropriate that we recognize the achievements of South Dakota's representatives and their participation in this highly regarded musical organization:

*Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim July 1 – 6, 2004, as

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and I call upon these students to represent the spirit of friendship and goodwill characteristic of the state of South Dakota.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Ninth Day of June in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Four.

  
M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

  
Chris Nelson, Secretary of State